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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BGEN, PFOR, GH

SUBJ: "A MODEST PROPOSAL"

REF: A. STATE 212389; B. STATE 132035; C. 145890 D. 131598;  
E. ACCRA 4227

1. CONTENTS PARA ONE REF A WILL BE PASSED GOG (DEBRA) SOONEST.

2. WHILE FOLLOWING IS MAINLY SPECULATION, IT POSSIBLE THAT CHARGES PARA ONE REF A COULD BE "TIP OF ICEBERG", IN VIEW HIGH-LEVEL LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPARENTLY AVAILABLE THIS SMALL TIME CROOK WHO FIRST CAME TO NOTICE IN CONNECTION WITH FAILURE TO PAY HOTEL BILL. UNDERSTAND THAT (A) COPPOLINO, CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAJORITY LEADER OF PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND MEMBER FIRM MIRARCHI, DEFINO AND COPPOLINO; (B) SAM CANALE, SAID TO BE CONTINENTAL BANK CUSTOMER, AND (C) KWAKU BOATENG, GHANAIAN LAWYER, ALL INVOLVED IN CASE ON BEHALF OF BLAY-MIEZAH. (COPPOLINO FIRM, HOWEVER, NOT LISTED MARTINDALE HUBBEL AND COPPOLINO HIMSELF REPORTEDLY NOT KNOWN TO PHILADELPHIA LAWYERS CONTACTED INFORMALLY - REF B, C AND D).

3. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS BLAY-MIEZAH AT PRESENT AT CONTINENTAL HOTEL IN ACCRA. HIS PASSPORT HAS BEEN PICKED UP BY GOG AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION, HIS NAME LISTED IN LOOK-OUT FILE UNDER FOUR SEPARATE PERMUTATIONS.

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4. ON ASSUMPTION FBI AND STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA DESIRE TO AND ARE PREPARED TO PROSECUTE BLAY-MIEZAH ON CHARGES PARA ONE REF A, AND THATQZ INFORMATION DEVELOPED DURING POSSIBLE TRIAL WILL BE OF ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION OTHER INVESTIGATIONS BY STATE OR FEDERAL AGENCIES, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH CONSIDER ADVISABILITY OF INFORMAL PROPOSAL TO GOG INVOLVING EXTRADITION BLAY-MEIZAH FROM GHANA TO U.S. TO FACE CHARGES. RECENT ALLOTEY CASE (REF E) APPEARS TO US TO SET A PRECEDENT PERMITTING UNITED STATES TO EXTRADITE A GHANAIAAN CITIZEN FROM GHANA, IT IS DOUBTFUL GOG CAN MUSTER ANYTHING MORE SERIOUS THAN MISUES OF PASSPORT OR SIMILAR MISCELLANEOUS LOW-LDMEL CHARGES (SEE PARA 5 OUR SEPT 18 MEMO ENCLOSED HANSON/MCGUIRE LETTER SEPT 20). THEY MIGHT WELL BE GLAD TO GET RID OF HIM.

5. ADVISE.  
HANSON

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